

Public Notice: INTENT TO ISSUE PERMIT



Notice of Intent to Issue a Partial Permit for Hazardous Waste Storage at the INL [Docket # 10HW-0603]

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What is the Purpose of This Notice? The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is proposing to issue a Partial Permit for Hazardous Waste Storage for the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Environmental Center (INTEC), located at the Idaho National Laboratory (INL). Permits are not unilaterally approved by DEQ. Prior to approving a Partial Permit, you (the public) and the applicant are provided an opportunity to comment on the proposed Partial Permit prepared by DEQ.

What Is Proposed & What are the Proposed Actions? DOE has requested a Partial Permit for storage in the Calcine Solids Storage Facility (CSSF) units at INTEC. The draft Partial Permit sets forth procedural requirements for storage of calcined solids, and closure of the unit to ensure protection of human health and the environment. The draft Partial Permit is hereby proposed for approval.

Describe the Facility Subject to Permitting: INTEC is located in the south-central portion of INL which is in Butte County, Idaho. INTEC is operated for the United States Department of Energy (DOE) and by their contractor CH2M WG-Idaho, LLC. The Calcined Solids Storage Facility consists of seven (7) Bin Sets that are part of this permitting action. Bin Sets 1 through 7 are used to store spent radioactive material at the INL. The radioactive material has been combined with calcium and other inert materials to form a granular substance

that is easier to store. The bin sets were constructed to facilitate handling this material and provide for safe long-term storage. All Hazardous Waste Management Act (HWMA) Units, identified in this proposed permit, are currently operating under HWMA/Resource Conservation & Recovery Act (RCRA) interim status.

What Permit Conditions are Affected? The Partial Permit for the CSSF is open for public review and comment.

Where Can I Get More Information?

In person: The draft Partial Permit and fact sheet may be reviewed at DEQ's State Office located at 1410 North Hilton in Boise, Idaho or at DEQ's Idaho Falls Regional Office located at 900 North Skyline, Suite B, in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Online: A copy of the fact sheet, related to the Partial Permit, is available online via the DEQ Web site (www.deq.idaho.gov).

By phone: Contact Ms. Teri Gregory at (208) 373-0502.

Persons wanting to be added or deleted from the facility mailing list should contact Ms. René Anderson at the same address and/or at (208) 373-0210.

When are Written Comments Due?

5 p.m. on September 25, 2006. Comments should be addressed to Robert Bullock, c/o Ms. Teri Gregory, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 North Hilton, Boise, ID 83706.

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Who Will Be Responsible for Implementing This Partial Permit? DOE, CH2M-WG Idaho, LLC and contractors

What Are DEQ's Responsibilities? DEQ is the regulatory agency that helps protect and enhance Idaho's water and air quality, and helps ensure proper management and disposal of hazardous and solid wastes. One way DEQ does this is by requiring permits for certain activities.

What Legal Requirements Apply? Idaho's rules require that DEQ provide an owner or operator and the public, through a newspaper notice, the opportunity to submit written comments on the draft Partial Permit for storage.

What Happens Next? DEQ will consider any comments and/or requests for a hearing on the draft Partial Permit, and will either announce a time and place for a hearing, modify the draft Partial Permit, or approve the Partial Permit as proposed.